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SUBJ: COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION ON
CANNABIS.

1. ON 24 FEB 1975, COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS BY VOTE OF
26 (US)-0-1(IRAN) RECOMMENDED TO ECOSOC ADOPTION OF RE-
SOLUTION ENTITLED "CANNABIS RPOBLEM" SPONSORED BY FRG,
AUSTRALIA, EGYPT, FRANCE, INDIA,SWEDEN,SWITZERLAND,TOGO,
USSR,YUGOSLAVIA, TEXT FOLLOWS:

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

(A) REFERRING TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON
NARCOTIC DRUGS, 1961, IN PARTICULAR TO ARTICLE 2, PARAS. 1

AND 5, ARTICLE 4 (B) AND (C) AND ARTICLE 35 (B) AND (C).

(B) RECALLING THAT CANNABIS AND CANNABIS RESIN, IN ADDITION
TO BEING LISTED IN SCHEDULE I OF THAT CONVENTION, ARE ALSO
INCLUDED IN ITS SCHEDULE IV,

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(C) REAFFIRMING THAT, IN VIEW OF THE NUMEROUS FINDINGS OF

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ON CANNABIS, THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT AS TO THE HARMFUL NATURE OF CANNABIS,

(D) NOTING WITH CONCERN THE RECENT INCREASED AVAILABILITY IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD OF NEW CONCENTRATED FORMS OF CANNABIS, SUCH AS THE SO-CALLED "LIQUID CANNABIS", "LIQID HASHISH" OR "OIL OF CANNABIS",

(E) CONSIDERING THAT CANNABIS AND DRUGS DERIVED FROM CANNABIS HAVE LOST THEIR ORIGINAL MEDICAL ROLE AND ARE THE MOST FREQUENTLY ABUSED DRUGS AND THAT THIS FACT REQUIRES JOINT ACTION BY ALL COUNTRIES PARTIES TO BE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS,

(F) REALIZING THAT A REDUCED CONTROL REGARDING CANNABIS AND DRUGS DERIVED FROM CANNABIS IN ONE AREA MIGHT CREATE AN IMPORTANT SOURCE OF SUPPLY OF, AND ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN THE SAME SUBSTANCE IN OTHER AREAS,

1. RECOMMENDS TO ALL COUNTRIES AND COMPETENT INTERNATIONAL ORGANS AND ORGANIZATIONS NOT TO LOSE MOMENTUM IN TAKING APPROPRIATE MEASURES AGAINST CANNABIS ABUSE, SUPPLY OF CANNABIS AND CANNABIS RESIN, AND , IN PARTICULAR, ILLEGAL TRADE AND TRAFFIC IN CANNABIS AND DRUGS DERIVED FROM CANNABIS, IN ORDER NOT TO ENDANGER THE SUCCESS OF GLOBAL AND REGIONAL EFFORTS IN THIS FIELD;

2. DRAWS TO THE ATTENTION OF GOVERNMENTS THE DESIRABILITY OF TAKING ALL PRACTICABLE MEASURES FOR THE TREATMENT, RE-HABILITATION AND EDUCATION OF ABUSERS OF CANNABIS;

3. URGES THAT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN RELATION TO CANNABIS SHOULD BE CONTINUED AND ACCELERATED;

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO INFORM ALL GOVERNMENTS OF THIS RESOLUTION, INVITNG THEM TO TAKE ACTION FOR TIS EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, 1961. DALE

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